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- transmitting [(A6-A10)] said message [(EMM)] to said inserted security element, [characterized in that] wherein the step of installing the configuration of filter which is appropriate to said security element is followed by a step of storing [(B1, B1a)] said configuration and in that, when said security element [(10)] is removed from the decoder, causing the erasure [(C2)] of said configuration of filters, the configuration of filters which is appropriate to the removed security element is reinstalled [(D2)] on the basis of the configuration stored during the storage step in such a way as to select an entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for said removed security element.

8.(AMENDED) Method according to Claim 7, [characterized in that] wherein it comprises an additional step [(D3, D3a)] consisting in storing in a memory [(14)] of the decoder said entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for said removed security element when such a message is selected.

9.(AMENDED) Method according to Claim 8, [characterized in that] wherein it furthermore comprises the steps consisting in:

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- reinserting said security element [(10)] into the decoder;
 - verifying whether an entitlement management message [(EMM)] intended for said inserted security element is stored in the memory [(14)] of the decoder; and
 - should verification be positive, transferring the stored message [(EMM)] to said inserted security element.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

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-- The decoder comprises an access control module capable of recovering on a smart card inserted into the decoder an identification parameter of the card and of installing a configuration of filter making it possible to select, in the data stream received by the decoder, the entitlement management messages intended for the inserted smart card. It furthermore comprises a module for storing entitlements which is capable of storing the configuration installed by the module and of reinstalling this configuration of filter when the latter configuration is erased,